

AN INCIDENT IN THE BURNING OF THE NIAGARA.

One of the many afflictions attending the frightful disaster to the passengers of the ill-fated Niagara was that of the loss of the entire family of Mr. Almsworth, of Vermont.

With what intense exertion he redoubled his endeavors when he saw his youngest child of three years sink to its cold grave!

All were now gone save his little boy of eight years, who was struggling with the sea to maintain a foothold on a floating sofa.

Life was now scarcely worth preserving, and only one hope now helped him to save himself—it was that he might yet recover the cold corpses of his drowned family and lay them with his own hands in the ground.

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.—The following is a summary of the laws and constitutional requirements in the election of a President and Vice-President:

1. Electors elected on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

2. Electors meet on the first Wednesday in December, and cast their votes. They then sign three certificates—send a messenger with one copy to the President of the Senate at Washington before the first Wednesday in January—another by mail to the same person, and the third delivered to the United States District Judge where Electors meet.

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EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

This Convention organized on the 21st ult., by the appointment of Dr. J. T. Wheat, of the University of N. C. President; E. W. Ogburn, of Greensborough, Vice President; C. C. Cole, of Greensboro', and R. H. Brown of Asheboro', Secretaries; and Prof. Kerr, of Murrefresboro', Treasurer.

We are not prepared to give in detail the proceedings of this highly interesting Convention, which continued its sessions until Friday evening last.

The permanent organization of a State Educational Association was determined on; and Committees appointed to mature the plan, draft a Constitution, &c.

Mr. B. Sumner moved a Resolution, declaring that we ought to have a Military School in this State; or a school designed on the plan of the West Point Academy.

THE OCEAN TELEGRAPH.—The Journal of Commerce gives some interesting facts concerning this novel and most important undertaking.

REVISION OF THE BIBLE.—The subject of the revision of the present English translation of the Bible continues to receive considerable attention in England.

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N. C. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

This body held meetings in the Commons Hall on every evening during the late Fair. The President, Judge Ruffin, presided.

The time of holding the Annual Fairs was changed from the 2d Tuesday to the 3d Tuesday in October, by a vote of 31 to 25.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant. JNO. W. GEARY, Governor of Kansas.

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IMPORTANT FROM KANSAS.

The following gratifying letter was received by the Secretary of State. It will be seen that peace and quiet is restored in Kansas. Comment on the energy, promptness and firmness on the part of Governor Geary, which have brought about this result, is unnecessary.

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From the Goldsboro Tribune.

A body of humble laborers in the high-ways and hedges of the Lord's Vineyard, met in this town on the evening of the 23d inst., and had their hearts encouraged by a sermon from the Rev. J. M. Atkinson of Raleigh, from John III ch., 17 ver.

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MAKE THE BEST OF EVERYTHING.

We once knew a man who neither care nor sorrow seemed to affect; who at sixty had the digestion and flow of spirits of twenty-one; who had acquired a large fortune apparently without an effort; who, in short, was the happiest of men, and the envy of all who knew him.

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Accounts of the Democrat Office.

ALL accounts due for subscriptions since the work from the 25th of October, 1855, to the 25th of September, 1856—the period at which my connection with the Office ceased—must be paid to Mr. William J. Yates, the present proprietor of the paper.

NOTICE. The undersigned, as the Executor of the last Will and Testament of John Blount, dec'd., will expose to public sale on the plantation of the late Testator, lying fifteen miles Southwest of the town of Monroe, in the county of Union, on Tuesday the 25th day of November next, a large amount of real and personal property, consisting of:

Four Tracts of Land, The Home Tract, adjoining the land of Robert Delaney, the Givens tract and others, containing about three hundred and twenty acres, upon which there is a good Grist Mill.

To The Farmers of WESTERN CAROLINA. We are receiving the largest Stock of FALL & WINTER GOODS, Clothing and Hardware of all kinds.

FALL AND WINTER GOODS, At Fisher, Burroughs & Co. We are now prepared to exhibit an extensive Stock of FALL and WINTER GOODS.

Hardware. Shelf Hardware, Iron, Steel, AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, &c. &c. Paints, Oils, and Varnish, constantly on hand and for sale low by FISHER, BURROUGHS & CO.

SMUT MACHINES. The subscribers have on hand a supply of these superior Machines, which they are offering at low prices for CASH, and warranted to give satisfaction or no sale.

NEW Tailoring Establishment. The undersigned has purchased the entire interest of D. L. Rea in his Tailoring Establishment, situated in the city of Charlotte, in two doors west of Huggins & Hart's Dry Goods Store, at which place he stores all his goods, and where he will be happy to wait on them, and take their measurements and give them fits of the latest style and fashion.